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Application Number	09/762,779
Filing Date	February 13, 2001
First Named Inventor	Johannes Gijsbertus Antonius Terlingen
Art Unit	1641
Examiner Name	Gary W. Counts
Attorney Docket Number	702-010166

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply - Response

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☒ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) - Affidavit (2 pp.)

iv. ☒ Other: Petition for Extension of Time (2 pp. in trip.)

2. ☐ Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☒ Other Response Transmittal Letter \_\_\_\_\_

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i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) **07/13/2004 SSESHE1 00000131 09762779**

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) **01 FC:1801 770.00 DP**

iii. ☐ Other

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**RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Application No.: 09/762,779 Filing Date: July 3, 2001  
Examiner: Gary W. Counts Group Art Unit: 1641  
Invention: "DEVICE FOR INVESTIGATING CHEMICAL INTERACTIONS  
AND PROCESS UTILIZING SUCH DEVICE

Transmitted herewith is a Response in the above-identified application, an RCE, an Affidavit and a one-month Petition for Extension of Time.

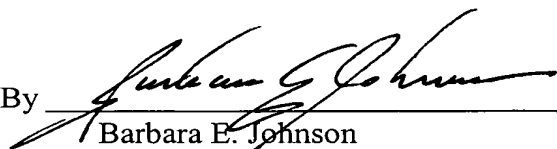
- ☐ Small Entity Status is/has been asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.  
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.  
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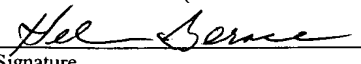
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Reply to final Office Action of October 7, 2003

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 7, 2003, for which Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on April 6, 2004, Applicants submit an Affidavit under 37 CFR 1.132, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the following remarks along with an accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, and the requisite fees.

**Remarks begin on page 2 of this document.**

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